



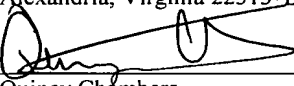
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RULE 116 AMENDMENT  
RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**

In re Application of: Christopher E. Pearce  
Serial No.: 09/579,399  
Filing Date: May 25, 2000  
Examiner: Kevin C. Harper  
Group Art Unit: 2666  
Title: *System and Method for Routing Calls Using Dialing Partitions*

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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the final Office Action mailed July 22, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following remarks.